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Application for Certification)
of the Roseville Energy Facility)
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Status Report #4

I apologize for the delay in the filing of this status report. With a death in my family I failed to check my mail for some time and while I checked the Commission's web page and did not find the Notice of Committee Status Conference, I should have checked my mail more often.

On March 26, 2002, this Committee issued a notice that a status and scheduling conference would be held in Roseville on April 30, 2002. In anticipation of the information that this Committee will want from Applicant Roseville Energy Facility (REF), we offer the following:

1. Data Requests. Staff has issued a total of 192 data requests, in three separate filings:

(a) The first set of 104 requests was issued on November 20, 2001. All of these requests have been answered with the exception of a small number of requests that require information on the final gas and electric transmission routes and the final air quality offsets package.

(b) The second set of requests (105-156) was issued on December 28, 2001 and dealt only with water resources.

(c) The third and last set of data requests (157-192) was issued on March 4, 2002. Most of these 36 requests requested information that will only be available with the final selection of the natural gas pipeline route from PG&E and the final electric interconnection plan from Western Area Power Administration. Applicant and Staff agreed that Applicant would answer these requests, and the unanswered requests in the first set of data requests, on or before July 1, 2002.

2. Biology, Cultural and Paleontological Surveys. Applicant has had biological, cultural and paleontological surveys conducted in the designated natural gas pipeline and electrical interconnection line corridors. Early information confirms that

there are no new significant finds in these areas. Applicant anticipates that final reports in these areas will be submitted on or before July 1, 2002.

3. Construction Noise. Applicant will address construction noise for both the gas and electric corridors in the July 1, 2002 report.

4. Schools Location. Staff and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction have both expressed concern that the natural gas pipeline would be located in close proximity to new and existing schools in the Roseville area. Now that Applicant has an established gas pipeline corridor, Applicant will address this issue in its report of July 1, 2002.

5. Federal Permits. When the final biology, paleontology and cultural reports are complete, Applicant will be able to revise its filings with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Applicant anticipates making these filings on or before mid-July, 2002.

6. Air Quality. Applicant has worked diligently with the relevant air districts to secure sufficient offsets for the project. The Placer County Air Pollution Control District will be prepared to issue its Preliminary Determination of Compliance on or about April 30, 2002.

7. Water Resources. Applicant has responded to 51 Staff data requests in the water resources area. As this Committee is well aware, the REF will receive its water from the Pleasant Grove Wastewater Treatment Facility, which is being constructed adjacent to the power facility. This tertiary-treated water supply will be available when the REF commences operation. Under certain circumstances, REF could be forced to use some potable water to meet its requirements over the first few years as the wastewater being processed by the Pleasant Grove facility reaches its capacity and expands. Depending upon build-out, weather, REF construction schedule and power requirements, potable water could be used for part of the requirements for up to five years. Reliance upon potable water will certainly decrease over time.

Applicant is making very good progress toward a complete filing to be made on or before July 1, 2002 that will respond to all of Staff's outstanding data requests. We hope that this summary of these issue areas will be of assistance to the Committee and look forward to responding to any questions that you may have.

Respectfully submitted: April 24, 2002



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